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TI Purification of active NS2/3 protease of \*\*\*hepatitis\*\*\* C virus from inclusion bodies

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AB A method for producing a refolded, inactive form of recombinantly produced N\$2/3 protease by purifying the protease from inclusion bodies in the presence of a chaotropic agent and refolding the purified protease by

contacting it with a reducing agent and lauryldiethylamine oxide (LDAO) in the presence of reduced concn. of chaotropic agent or polar additive. The invention further comprises a method for activating this refolded inactive NS2/3 protease by adding an activation detergent. This method produces large amts. of the active NS2/3 protease to allow small mols. and ligands to be screened as potential inhibitors of NS2/3 protease, which may be useful as therapeutic agents against HCV. Protocols for the manuf. and resolubilization of the enzyme as inclusion bodies in Escherichia coli are described in detail.

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TI Recovery of proteins from cells using surfactants

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AB Proteins in host cells, e.g. those in \*\*\*inclusion\*\*\* bodies, are recovered using cationic, anionic, or zwitterionic surfactants.

Escherichia coli contg. methionine-porcine growth hormone in \*\*\*inclusion\*\*\* bodies were treated with 20 wt./vol.%

cetyltrimethylammonium bromide for 1 h at room temp. Upon centrifugation, a pellet was obtained which contained no \*\*\*inclusion\*\*\* bodies (as

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In vitro characterization of a purified NS2/3 protease variant of hepatitis C virus.

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The cleavage of the hepatitis C virus polyprotein between the nonstructural proteins NS2 and NS3 is mediated by the NS2/3 protease, whereas the NS3 protease is responsible for the cleavage of the downstream proteins. Purification and in vitro characterization of the NS2/3 protease has been hampered by its hydrophobic nature. NS2/3 protease activity could only be detected in cells or in vitro translation assays with the addition of microsomal membranes or detergent. To facilitate purification of this poorly characterized protease, we truncated the N-terminal hydrophobic domain, resulting in an active enzyme with improved biophysical properties. We define a minimal catalytic region of NS2/3 protease

retaining autocleavage activity that spans residues 904-1206 and includes the C-terminal half of NS2 and the N-terminal NS3 protease domain. The NS2/3 (904-1206) variant was purified from Escherichia coli inclusion bodies and refolded by gel filtration chromatography. The purified inactive form of NS2/3 (904-1206) was activated by the addition of glycerol and detergent to induce autocleavage at the predicted site between Leu(1026) and Ala(1027). NS2/3 (904-1206) activity was dependent on zinc ions and could be inhibited by NS4A peptides, peptides that span the cleavage site, or an N-terminal peptidic cleavage product. This NS2/3 variant will facilitate the development of an assay suitable for identifying inhibitors of HCV replication.

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Characterization of the hepatitis C virus NS2/3 processing reaction by using a purified precursor protein.

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chromatography and a dependence of the processing rate on the concentration using an in vitro-translated full-length NS2/3 precursor. Size-exclusion authentic NS2/NS3 cleavage site with rates comparable to those observed unprocessed precursor protein in inclusion bodies. This protein was efficiently expressed and processed in Escherichia coli. The processing capable of performing the processing reaction. This truncated protein was minimal domain, devoid of membrane-anchoring sequences, which was still characterization of the self-processing activity of a purified NS2/3 purified to homogeneity, refolded, and shown to undergo processing at the the absence of added zinc ions, leading to the accumulation of an reaction could be significantly suppressed by growth in minimal medium in precursor. Using multiple sequence alignments, we were able to define a investigation of this reaction. We now report the first biochemical processing event have so far constituted hurdles to the detailed Membrane association of NS2 and the autocatalytic nature of the NS2/3 proteolytic activity that is required for processing of the NS2/3 junction. The NS2-NS3 region of the hepatitis C virus polyprotein encodes a

protein. However, we were unable to observe trans cleavage activity between cleavage-site mutants and active-site mutants. Furthermore, the cleavage reaction of the wild-type protein was not inhibited by addition of a mutant that was unable to undergo self-processing. Site-directed mutagenesis data and the independence of the processing rate from the nature of the added metal ion argue in favor of NS2/3 being a cysteine protease having Cys993 and His952 as a catalytic dyad. We conclude that a purified protein can efficiently reproduce processing at the NS2/3 site in the absence of additional cofactors.

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Reconstitution of hepatitis C virus protease activities in yeast

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The hepatitis C virus (HCV) protease genes (NS2/3 and NS3) were expressed in yeast with their natural substrates fused to a ligand-dependent transcriptional activator, the retinoic acid receptor (RARbeta). RARbeta can activate transcription in yeast cells in response to retinoic acids. We hypothesized that cis-cleavage at the NS2-3 or NS3-4A junctions by the appropriate HCV proteases would release RARbeta, thereby activating transcription of a reporter gene. Our results from Western blot analyses and reporter gene activation indicate that the wild-type NS2/3 and NS3 enzymes are catalytically active in yeast cells, whereas mutations in the catalytic domain of NS2(C993V) and NS3(S1165A) lead to inactive enzymes. We conclude that HCV NS2/3 and NS3 protease activities can be reconstituted in yeast.

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Engineering, characterization and phage display of hepatitis C virus NS3 protease and NS4A cofactor peptide as a single-chain protein.

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of truncated NS2/3 suggested a functional multimerization of the precursor

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mutants. These are important steps towards developing effective structural studies and in vitro selection of potential drug-resistant and in a phage-display format facilitates enzyme engineering for further can be displayed on filamentous phage and affinity selected using an those of the NS3/NS4A non-covalent complex. Moreover, the scNS3 protease (scNS3) is fully active with kinetic parameters virtually identical with of the NS3 protease domain. This engineered single-chain NS3-protease fused via a short linker, capable of making a beta-turn, to the N-terminus sequence encoding for the NS4A peptide (residues 21-34) was genetically between NS3 protease and the 'active' central segment of NS4A, providing structural studies have revealed the nature of this non-covalent complex developing anti-HCV pharmacological agents. Recent X-ray crystallography virus proliferation and thus the NS3 protease is a prime target for polyprotein. This proteolytic activity is believed to be essential for a non-covalent complex, which participates in processing the viral proteases. The HCV-encoded NS3 protease and its cofactor peptide NS4A form immobilized specific inhibitor. The scNS3 expressed as a soluble protein the opportunity to design a single-chain polypeptide. To this end, the DNA processed into functional polypeptides by both host- and virus-encoded The polyprotein encoded by hepatitis C virus (HCV) genomic RNA is

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In vitro study of the NS2-3 protease of hepatitis C virus.

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processing at the 2-3 junction. identification of host components that contribute to the efficient of the biochemical properties of the NS2-3 protease of HCV and the this site. Thus, the in vitro assay should allow further characterization extract, and HeLa cell extract were required for efficient processing at site and that factors present in the rabbit reticulocyte lysate, wheat germ gel filtration analysis, it was observed that the redox state of the and soybean trypsin inhibitor inactivated the NS2-3 protease. By means of common protease inhibitors tested, tosyl phenylalanyl chloromethyl ketone reversed, at least in part, by the addition of ZnCl2 and CdCl2. Among the inhibited the viral enzyme. The EDTA inhibition of NS2-3 cleavage could be be inhibited by alkylating agents such as iodoacetamide and the 2-3 junction. The autoproteolytic activity of the NS2-3 protease could concentration. Also, the incubation temperature affected the cleavage at under these artificial conditions. The processing efficiency of the NS2-3 sequence requirements for proper cleavage at this site are maintained even that observed with microsomal membranes, indicating that the overall proficiency of several deletion and single point mutants was the same as activated posttranslationally by the addition of detergents. The cleavage established an in vitro assay whereby the NS2-3 protease of HCV BK can be characterize the biochemical properties of this viral protease, we have and ultimately results in the membrane insertion of the NS2 polypeptide. To at the 2-3 junction is stimulated by the presence of microsomal membranes protein and part of the NS3 polypeptide. In vitro cotranslational cleavage (HCV) is mediated by a virus-encoded protease which spans most of the NS2 reaction mixture greatly influenced the processing efficiency at the 2-3 N-ethylmaleimide. Metal chelators such as EDTA and phenanthroline also protease varied according to the type of detergent used and its Processing at the C terminus of the NS2 protein of hepatitis C virus

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Identification of the protease domain in NS3 of hepatitis C virus. Han D S; Hahm B; Rho H M; Jang S K
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NS3 of hepatitis C virus (HCV) is a serine protease that carries out the proteolytic processing of the nonstructural proteins of the HCV polyprotein. Deletion analysis of the N terminus of NS2,3,4 fusion protein revealed that the N-terminal boundary of the active protease resides between amino acids 1050 and 1083. The processing patterns of internal deletion mutants of NS2,3,4 indicated that the C terminus of the enzymically active protease resides between amino acids 1115 and 1218. The N- and C-terminal boundaries of the protease were also confirmed by determining the trans-cleavage activity of internally deleted NS3,4. NS3 protease activity was inhibited by Cu2+ but was slightly enhanced by Zn2+. This report provides a possible approach for development of antiviral agents based on protease inhibitors.

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